News Around Town

By Mrs. Calvin Robinson

I liked this one:

A Minneapolis man took over the family chores while his wife was in the hospital adding to the family. Sunday Dad sent his 4-year old to Sunday School, where the lesson was the story of Creation. The teacher explained that God created Man from the dust of the earth.

After a minute, the 4-year-old raised his hand and said, "I wish God would drop in at our house. We've got enough dust under the beds for a couple dozen men."

—Mineapolis Tribune

The Country Lane Home Demonstration Club held its January meeting Friday, the 14th., at Mrs. B. G. Anderson's office, where a delicious buffet dinner was served. Mrs. Dean Conner gave a very instructive talk on Nutrition and Vegetable Cookery. Need we add all diets were forgotten!

Mrs. Robert Hubbard was hostess to the Appomattox Home Demonstration Club members on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Herman Schweizer the club's Federation Goal chairman, opened the meeting with the devotional. The main program, which was on the Family Fare, or Food Management, was presented by Mrs. D. E. Caldwell, Jr. This interesting and instructive talk was based on four points: to serve enjoyable meals; to keep your family well nourished; to practice thrift where need be; and to save time and energy where you can. The club presented Mrs. Schweiger with a going away gift. Mrs. Schweizer and her sister, Mrs. Linda Harris will leave Friday for Puerto Rico, where they will spend several months with Mrs. Schweizer's daughter, Mrs. Herman Schlenkerman.

Circle No. 4 of the Memorial Methodist Church will meet Jan. 21 at 7:30 P. M. with Mrs. Fred Smith.

Mrs. R. W. Stanley entertained the Tuesday bridge club Tuesday evening. Top prize went to Mrs. W. E. Hancock and low score went to Mrs. C. G. O'Brien.

The Appomattox Town Council met Monday evening in the town office. At this meeting an Ordinance was passed pertaining to the confinement of all dogs in the town for a period of 45 days, due to the presence of rabies in nearby areas. An advertisement on this matter appears elsewhere in today's paper.

Mr. Tom Almond has been added to the Town Police Force, as of this past Tuesday night.

The Appomattox Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will have a dinner meeting tonight at Hotel Appomattox.

Natural Beauty Salon has gotten a face lifting — been painted, the reception room enlarged, and painted a lovely rust red color with white ceiling.

Something new at the Lee Theatre —a new, wide CinemaScope Screen. Beginning Monday, January 31, regular pictures will be shown on a screen six feet wider than the old screen, while CinemaScope pictures will be shown on a screen ten and one-half feet wider.

Had a card from Miss Beulah Ferrell, who is vacationing in Florida. Wouldn't mind being in Florida now, enjoying some warm sunshine. Mr. and Mrs. George Langran returned from Miami, raving about the wonderful weather there, and how rapidly Miami is growing.

Last Saturday, shortly after noon, the fire alarm sounded here and it was found the home of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Coleman was ablaze. The home was destroyed by the fire, and townspeople extend deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Coleman. We understand that they plan to rebuild shortly.

Several sub-committees have been set up to plan for the Dedication of the new Gymnasium and Recreation Room at A. H. S. Supt. J. A. Burkett is general chairman of the committee.

One thing we liked about the old days was the fact that big spenders spent their own money instead of other people's. —Money, Banks & Taxes.

Sometimes it is bad luck to have good luck too soon. —Toastmaster.

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RURITAN CONVENTION

"How are you going to keep them down on the farm" could well be the theme of the 1955 Ruritan National Convention. On January 23, 24, and 25, about one thousand Ruritans will gather in Washington, D. C. from fifteen states. Convention headquarters and all meetings will be at the Statler Hotel.

The delegates and guests will start arriving on Sunday, January 23. A tour has been arranged for the afternoon with a Vesper Service scheduled for 8:00 P. M.

The convention will be officially opened at 9:00 A. M. Monday when Ruritan National President Bill Brake calls the meeting to order. Each Ruritan state will be honored during the Flag Ceremony, various awards will be made, and Dr. Paul Tengler, well-known educator, will give an address. Another tour is scheduled for Monday afternoon. Hugh Cook will give the Ruritan Keynote speech for the Monday Evening Banquet.

Various committees will report at the Tuesday morning session. Hon. Frank Clement, Governor of Tennessee, will address the Tuesday Luncheon group.

Tuesday afternoon will be highlighted by the election of officers for 1955, while the installation of these officers will take place at the Tuesday Evening Banquet.

With the good speeches, entertainment, tours, and good fellowship on the agenda, it will be difficult to keep the delegates and guests "down on the farm."

Sergeant Curtis R. Ferguson

Fort Eustis, Va.,- Sergeant Curtis R. Ferguson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis R. Ferguson, Route 3, Appomattox, Va., received his discharge from the Armed Forces on January 11, 1955. Sgt. Ferguson served in Korea from April 1953 to June of 1954, and is the holder of the Korean Presidential Citation, the Summer and Winter Ribbon.

MORE SCHOOL GROUPS VISITING WILLIAMSBURG

Williamsburg, Va.- School groups studying history here are running approximately 20 per cent ahead of last year, Colonial Williamsburg reported today.

The final two weeks of this year's winter period for school tours ending March 15 already are completely booked with classroom groups and last year's record totals are expected to be topped by a considerable margin, it was indicated.

Some 27 different states were represented in the total of 42,000 school students touring Williamsburg last year.

The increase in school tour visitation here reflects the growing trend towards wider use of historic sites as aids in classroom study of early American history, officials of Colonial Williamsburg pointed out. More and more teachers are incorporating field trips in their course planning. A school in Bronxville, N. Y. will send its ninth grade class here next month for a full week's study, the fourth year that such a group has come from that school.

Most of the groups come during the period from September 1 through March 15 when reduced rates are in effect and special attention is given to school activities with specially trained guides, provision of loan materials for classroom use and other arrangements.

LIVING

One man gets nothing but discord out of a piano; another gets harmony. No one claims the piano is at fault. Life is about the same. Discord is there, and the harmony is there. Study to play it correctly, and it will give forth the beauty; play it falsely, and it will give forth the ugliness. Life is not at fault. —Indiana Teacher.

LIVESTOCK INJURIES TAKE MEAT SUPPLY OF HALF MILLION PEOPLE

Enough animals are bruised, crippled or killed daily on their way to market to furnish the daily meat needs of half a million people, says K. C. Williamson, associate animal husbandman at VPI.

He says careless handling of livestock results in losses of about 100 tons of beef, lamb and pork a day. That means lower prices for the producer and higher costs for the consumer. Bruised meat can't be eaten and requires extra labor to trim out.

Most bruising occurs in the high-cost priced cuts. About 51⅝ of the bruises on hogs are in the hams, while 45% of bruises on cattle are in the loins.

Williamson says losses from bruising and crippling are caused by carelessness. To prevent it he urges handlers to use a canvass slapper instead of clubs and canes to drive animals. Broken boards and protruding nails from fences, doorways, trucks and farm loading chutes are common sources of injury.

Farmers can help reduce losses by removing machinery and junk from feedlots and barnyards. They also can cut losses by dehorning cattle. Williamson urges haulers to use a sand base for truck bedding. This helps keep cattle from slipping and falling. Animals also need protection from the weather when they are hauled. In summer provide shade and ventilation. In winter, use a hooded truck or a canvas over the front end and the sides of the truck rack, and over the top of the front third of the rack. Also provide plenty of bedding over the sand base.

Livestock travel best on a light fill, so avoid heavy feeding of animals before loading. Load carefully. Don't hurry them up chutes and through narrow doors. Drive carefully and avoid sudden stops.

State Chamber Adds Newman To Its Staff As Agricultural Advisor

Richmond, Va.- M. D. Newman, marketing agent with the State Department of Agriculture, has been named as the first director of Virginia State Chamber's new agriculture department, President Alister V. Schenck, of Richmond announced.

Newman will join the Virginia State Chamber February 1, Schenck said, and will work largely in the field of promotion in the marketing and distribution of Virginia products, particularly those bearing the new Virginia Traditional Quality labels, which were conceived by Newman, 34, is a native of Alabama. He received his A. B. and A. degrees from the College of William and Mary.

The Chamber's executive director, Vernon E. Kemp, said that the Chamber was "indeed fortunate" in securing the services of Newman and added Newman would bring a wide range of experience in Virginia products to the Chamber staff.

In his new position, Newman will deal largely with the promotion of Virginia Traditional Quality labels, which are associated with the marketing agent with the State Agriculture Department.

The labels, which have the support of the State Agriculture Department, are aimed at pointing up high quality products that trading areas from Virginia, so that products will become well known as Virginia products. The apple industry already has made strides in this direction.

Newman has been with the State Department of Agriculture since 1950 when he completed his graduate studies at William and Mary.

Some parts of Virginia under inches of snow.

PERSONALS

Mrs. Ed Cawthorne spent Tuesday night with Miss Connie O'Brien.

Mrs. F. C. Dresser spent several days in Arlington with Mr. and Mrs. Dresser.

Mrs. Eddy Poe has recovered from recent illness and is able to be back in school.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Marshall and children, of Buchanan, spent Sunday with Mrs. D. G. Trent.

Mrs. Dot Sears, of Petersburg, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. J. E. Sears.

Mrs. Alfred Rogers is recovering at the Virginia Baptist Hospital from an appendectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Babcock and two daughters, of Amherst, spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Poe.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Lucado visited Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Woolridge in Hahnemeinheimer Hospital, Lynchburg, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. White and Mr. W. Hamlet and daughter, Mrs. of Lynchburg, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Stanley.

Mrs. C. E. Coleman has returned to her home in Roanoke after spending some time here with her sister, Mrs. W. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard G. Bailey, of Lynchburg were dinner guests Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey H. Guill.

The Rev. B. F. Robinson observed his birthday Saturday. Mrs. Robinson entertained at dinner in his honor that evening, with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Robinson as guests.

Miss Jeline Jennings spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Robin, who is recovering at her home from a recent illness. Mrs. Robin returned from the hospital today.

Mrs. James A. Beaty, Jr. and daughter, Annette, who have been with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pope, have returned to their home in Albertville, Alabama. They made the return trip by plane.

MSC Robert L. Watson has returned to base after a 12-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Watson, and wife, Mrs. Robert L. Watson. He is stationed at Kessler Air Force Base, Mississippi.

Mrs. Herman Schweizer and her sister, Mrs. Linda Harris will leave tomorrow for Puerto Rico, where they will be guests of Mrs. Schweizer's son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Schlenkerman, for several months.

Mrs. Frances O'Brien and Mrs. J. H. Lucado returned yesterday from Indianapolis, Ind., where they attended a Medical Personnel Convention. While there they were the guests of the Eli Lilly and Company, pharmaceuticals and biologicals, of Indianapolis, along with other members of the association.

LETTER OF APPRECIATION FROM MR. AND MRS. WM. T. COLEMAN

Lynchburg, Va.

Dear Mr. Robinson,

Our friends and neighbors of Appomattox were so very nice to us after the burning of our home and since, it would be virtually impossible to thank each for his kindness.

We would appreciate it if you would acknowledge our indebtedness to all in your paper.

We plan to start rebuilding before spring, and our present address is 118 Harrison, Street, Lynchburg, Va.

Very sincerely,
William T. and
Anna R. Coleman.

GROUND OBSERVER CORPS HOLDS PRACTICE

The local Appomattox Ground Observer Corps will hold a practice exercise between 12 noon and 5:00 P. M. Sunday.

John Ivey Holland, Chief Observer, requests the volunteer service from all observers.

Birthday List

A/3C Robert L. Watson, Jan. 24.
Hermon F. Watson, Jan. 28.
Joseph S. Watson, Jan. 11.
Mrs. Lester Harvey, Jan. 30.
Mr. C. E. Lewis, Jan. 19.
Mrs. B. F. Robinsgn, Jan. 20.

SCHOOL CLOSED WEDNESDAY

Appomattox County public schools were snowbound yesterday and did not operate. Over three inches of snow fell in early morning and up until noon. The snow began to melt rapidly after noon.

"SUNSET AT APPOMATTOX" TO BE SHOWN TODAY

The historical film, "Sunset at Appomattox" will be shown today at 1 P. M. at a meeting of the Lynchburg Lions Club.

MAN

Men are not equal in intelligence and talents. Those who are more accomplished should not be penalized to further those who are not. Each individual, like water, will graduate to his own level of comprehension and ability to achieve. —Rosicrucian Digest.

RANDOLPH-MACON TO AWARD DEGREES

Ashland, Va., Jan. 20.- Virginia and Pennsylvania Congressmen, a former United States Ambassador and a Richmond Pulitzer Prize winner are among ten persons who are to receive honorary degrees February 3 from Randolph - Macon College.

The degrees will be awarded at one of three convocations arranged that day, the 125th anniversary of the college's chartering by the Virginia General Assembly, Dr. J. Earl Morehead, college president, said today.

Representatives who are to receive Doctor of Laws degrees are Porter Hardy, Jr., of Virginia's Second District, and Hugh Doggett Scott, Jr., of Philadelphia, from Pennsylvania's Sixth District.

James Rives Childs, originally of Lynchburg and now of Nice, France and most recently ambassador to Ethiopia until his resignation in 1953 from the United States Foreign Service will receive a Doctor of Humane Letters degree.

The Richmonder, David John Mays, is to be awarded a Doctor of Letters degree. He is a member of the law firm of Tucker, Mays, Cabell and Moore, and received the Pulitzer prize in 1953 for his biography of Edmund Pendleton.

Representative Hardy, a native of Chesterfield County, was elected to the Eightieth Congress in 1946 and has been re-elected to each succeeding term.

MAY DAY PLANS

Farmville, Va.- Nine students have been selected by the student body at Longwood College to fill positions of committee chairmen of the 1955 May Day celebration, according to Miss Mary Ann Ward, of Galax general chairman.

The transportation committee will be headed by Miss Barbara Ann Whitehead, of Norfolk; the music committee by Miss Karen Spencer of Tazewell; props by Miss Helen Louise Wilder, of Williamsburg; and programs by Miss Evelyn Eloise Macon, of Lynchburg.

Miss Emily Jane Blake, of Norfolk, will be in charge of May Day Dance, and Mrs. Nancy Tanley Masters, of Newport News has been elected to direct the program's choreography. Miss Loretta Bell Brooking, of Richmond, is responsible for costumes and Miss Patricia Holt Abernathy, of Virginia Beach for the court. Miss Anne Minter Thaxton, of South Boston, will head publicity.

N & W Safety Contest

A safety essay contest for children of Norfolk and Western employees was announced today by the railway's monthly magazine.

U. S. Savings Bonds of $100, $50 and $25 denominations will be awarded the three best entries on the theme "What it means to me to have my dad work safely." Entrants must be sons or daughters of N. & W. employees in active service and be between 10 and 17 years of age inclusive. Essays must be between 300 and 500 words long and be submitted to Safety Essay Contest, Room 501, General Office Building, N. & W. Railway, Roanoke 17, Virginia by February 21.

Date Set For Ending Veterans Eligibility

The presidential proclamation which terminated eligibility for certain post-Korean veterans' benefits set January 31, 1955 as the last day of Korean emergency for purposes of acquiring eligibility for certain GI benefits, including Korean GI Bill training, Veterans Administration said.

Those who enter the armed forces after January 31 will not be entitled to education or training under the Korean GI Bill when they are discharged or released. Those who have entered service before January 31 will build up entitlement for Korean GI training only up to and including January 31.

Under present law, they will not accumulate training entitlement for service after January 31. Entitlement is computed on the basis of one and one-half times the length of military service up to and including January 31. For example, a man who entered service December 1, 1954, would receive GI training entitlement only for the period between December 1, 1954 and January 31, 1955—about three months of schooling. Under present law those who enter service in January will be entitled to still less GI training—only a few weeks at most.

Not all the 90 days need be before January 31. Any part of it could come afterwards.

Post-Korea veterans already out of service are not affected by the January 31 end-of-the-emergency period so far as starting Korean GI Bill training is concerned. Under the law, they still must start their courses within three years after discharge or release from active duty. This applies to all eligible veterans.

But the date does have a bearing on the ending of the entire Korean GI training program. The law states that all training must be ended eight years after the termination of the emergency period, or eight-years-from-end-of-emergency date the final date of the GI program—now has been set as January 31, 1963.

STATE DAIRYMEN'S ASSOCIATION PLANS MEETING IN ROANOKE

Milk surpluses, support prices, and salesmanship will be discussed at the annual banquet meeting of the Virginia State Dairymen's Association in Roanoke today.

The speaker will be Dr. Earl Butz, assistant secretary of agriculture, Washington, D. C.

Dr. Butz's speech will follow a day-long consideration by the Association on such questions as dairy opportunities in Virginia, effects of industrialization on the industry, and influencing public opinion.

Friday, January 21, Dr. M. F. Ellmore, associate dairy husbandman at VPI, will discuss calculating milk production costs.

SAYS VIRGINIA HAS ROOM FOR MORE BEEF CATTLE

With 329,000 head of beef cattle in Virginia, there is room for many more, was the opinion expressed by Parke C. Brinkley, Commissioner of Agriculture, in his address to the members of the Virginia Abendeen-Angus Association at their annual meeting held on January 14 and 15 in Richmond. He stated that the productive land of the Piedmont area, the tobacco farms in the Southside and the area south of the James and east of U. S. No. 1 highway, where the main crop is peanuts, afford ideal conditions for the feeding of more beef cattle, and that he could foresee the beef cattle number reach 500,000 in the near future. Mr. Brinkley also pointed out that although there were 28,000 feeder calves sold through the feeder calf sales in 1954, he estimated that in the future we might be selling as many as 250,000 feeder calves at public auction in the state of Virginia.

Dr. W. L. Bendix, State Veterinarian, told the 250 members of the Association that under the Brucellosis program that vaccinated animals tested and showing titer 1-60 will be considered as non-reactors and this will substantially reduce the number of reactors in herds today.

Dial 2811 with Personals.

LOCAL CASE WORKER AT WELFARE MEETING

Mrs. Emma Y. Hunter, recently appointed caseworker for the Appomattox County Department of Public Welfare, attended an institute for new workers at the Natural Bridge Hotel on January 12 and 13.

Mrs. Hazel R. Mann, Superintendent of the department, said that the institute is one of a series offered by the State Department of Welfare and Institutions for new workers. Mrs. Mary Alice Roberts, director of field services for the State Welfare Department conducted the institute.

The two-day meeting included discussions of handling public assistance cases, with samples of actual cases submitted by the new case workers used as examples in the institute.

More than forty new social workers from counties in western Virginia attended the meeting. A similar meeting is being presented in Norfolk on January 20 and 21 for eastern counties.

Mrs. Mann said that is part of a program of staff development planned by the State Department of Welfare and Institutions. A meeting of superintendents is planned for March at Roanoke.

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